

Sports

# Rebels storm off to provincial playdowns

It's off to the Provincial Women's Softball Championships in Niagara Falls for the Cable Tech Rebels midget girls' softball team.

The Stouffville girls, led by the outstanding pitching of Mandy VanVeen, captured the silver medal at the provincial qualifying tournament in Port Hope last weekend. VanVeen pitched all 37 innings in the six games played by the Rebels, winning four while giving up only 15 runs and 22 hits. She struck out 28 batters.

Stouffville defeated Sunderland 6-2 behind VanVeen's three hitter in their first outing.

Game two saw the Rebels edged 3-2 by the host squad as costly errors took their toll.

VanVeen threw a one-hitter in a 10-0 mercy-shortened victory over Goodwood in game three.

An 11-12 win over Belleville followed in another mercy-shortened affair.

The Rebels avenged their earlier narrow loss to Port Hope when they scored twice in the final inning to record a 10-9 victory in their fifth match.

The win put the Rebels into the gold medal game against Napance.

In the title tilt, Stouffville squared the score at 3-3 in the final frame, but fell victim to a questionable call as Napance plated the game-winning run in their half of the inning.

Paula Bustard led the Rebels' offence in the tournament with 11 runs batted in.

Melissa Gilroy followed with eight RBIs. Tammy Craigie, April Nichol, Angie Burke, Shannon Timms and VanVeen each drove in four runs.

Melissa Miller, Danielle Timms and Jen Casarella had one RBI apiece.

Bustard also scored eight times, followed by Craigie and Danielle Timms with six each, Gilroy and Shannon Timms with five each, VanVeen with four, Burke three, Casarella and Miller two each and Nichol with one.

Rebels coach Dave Miller had nothing but praise for his players after the tournament.

"Determination and a tremendous effort by all the girls pulled us through. It was just a great job by everyone," said Miller.



## Getting down and dirty

Stouffville baserunner Davide Hillier (bottom) makes a head first slide safely into home plate while Newmarket pitcher Steve Cruikshank awaits a relay throw after making a wild pitch during action in last weekend's Peeewe Select Baseball Tournament at the Town Park diamond, Newmarket, however, won the game 5-4. Bramalea captured the tournament by defeating Malvern in the final. Photo/CHERYL JOHNSON

## Mosquito Indians win two from Midland

Those amazing Indians! The Stouffville Indians mosquito rep baseball team made it 12 wins in their last 13 games with a double header sweep of Midland in York-Simcoe Baseball Association action at the town park Sunday.

Kevin Hayward and Michael Columbus combined on the mound as the Indians prevailed 17-4 in the opener. Michael Wilson had four hits, Nicki D'Ambrosio picked up three safeties and Michael Bozian, Levi Barkey, Joel Thorney, Columbus, Hayward and Alex Martin each had two hit games. Paul Benincasa and R.J. Chase each had a hit as well.

Thorney struck out eight batters to pick up the win in a 15-5 Indians triumph in the night cap. Chase had three hits, Hayward, D'Ambrosio, Wilson and Columbus two apiece and Benincasa, Barkey and Martin one each.

# Firestone squirts earn sixth-place showing at provincial tourney

The Stouffville Firestone squirt girls' rep softball team made it as far as sixth place at the provincial eliminations tournament the weekend of July 28 to 30.

The Firestone squad downed Pickering Blue 13-9 in the opener as Lindsay Hermanson and Megan Bomberry each socked a triple and a single.

Joanne Crymble, Andrea Meyer, Christy Braily and Nicole Gray had a double and single apiece. Shannon Melrose collected three singles, while Bobbie Radford had two singles. Bomberry turned a double play to highlight a solid Stouffville

defence.

Crymble pitched the first five innings and socked a triple and a pair of singles as Stouffville got another strong defensive effort in an 18-13 win over Markham in their second contest.

Meyer hurled the final two frames while coming up with five singles in five trips to the plate.

The Stouffville girls fell 17-0 to a strong Aurora team in their third outing that same day, then were eliminated by an 11-1 defeat at the hands of Newmarket.

Meyer ripped another three singles in three tries.

## Sluggers carry a big stick

The Stouffville Sluggers bantam girls' softball team prepared for the provincial finals in Markham this weekend with a pair of narrow victories in recent league play.

A triple by Amy Ball and a single off the bat of Kristin Woodley provided the winning run in a 5-4 win over the rival Oshawa Shamrocks in Oshawa Aug. 2. Alison Crowder stole home for the first Stouffville run in the second inning, then drove in Julia Peters and Erin Skubiski with a hit in the third. Sarah Morrison stole home with the fourth Sluggers run.

Lindsay Murray pitched the first four innings, with Dawn Williamson giving up one run in the final three frames.

The Sluggers nipped Whitby by the same 5-4 margin in a game played in Stouffville the following day.

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

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